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URANIUM MINES

1. After the completion of the first refining process of uranium ore mined at Buhovo, the product is placed in special sealed barrels (possibly made of aluminum) and loaded into railroad cars at the Yana station. Each day, a special group of these cars are shipped to Burgas and from there the material is shipped by sea to the Soviet Union.
2. Uranium has also been discovered in the mountains of Strendje near the town of Kotel, located between the towns of Sliven and Yambol. Exploitation of this mine has reportedly begun, but details are lacking.
3. Uranium has also been discovered near the town of Kalofer, about 60 kilometers from Plovdiv. It is not known if exploitation has started here.
4. The headquarters for the exploitation of these mines is in Sofia. One of the principal members of the Directing Staff is a Moscow-trained Bulgarian engineer called Nakov (fnu).

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